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REPORT

TOPIC Staaken Airfield

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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. On 3 March 1951 at 5 and 5:15 p.m. respectively, a formation of nine single-engine ground attack aircraft flew over the Staaken (N 53/Z 65) airfield, heading south. At 5:50 p.m., seven planes of the same type landed individually at short intervals while other aircraft of the same type circled over the field. *
2. On 7 March, there was flying with twin-engine Dakota transports throughout the day. ** The planes landed at 9:30, 9:55, 10:20, 10:45, 11:10, and 11:35 in the morning, at noon, and in the afternoon and evening at 12:20, 1, 1:40, 2, 2:07, 2:15, 2:25, 2:45, 3:15, 4:15, 7:15, 7:30, 7:40, 7:55 and 8:10. All the aircraft landed individually until 2:25 p.m. and afterwards mostly in formations. The searchlight and boundary lights were in operation in the evening. Planes of the same type were seen taking off at 12:40, 1:10, 1:35, and 1:47 p.m., heading west. Tactical symbols or numbers could not be discerned on the aircraft.
3. On 9 March flying with twin-engine transports started at 11:20 a.m. and was still in progress at 11 p.m.
4. On 10 March, 33 IL-10s were dispersed over the southern section of the field, beginning at the northern edge. * It could not be seen whether more IL-10s were parked on the field. Two twin-engine transports and 50X1-HUM two biplanes were parked in the southeastern corner of the field. The take-off point was being erected in the northwestern section of the field. Two fire trucks, two trucks, and one radio truck with a rod antenna about 3 to 4 meters high fitted on its rear, were parked there. A ground attack plane with a white propeller hub and white tips on the rudder assembly took off from the field at 8:15 a.m. 50X1-HUM
It was definitely observed 50X1-HUM that the rotary searchlight in the west section of the field was mounted on the truck from which the box-like body was disassembled, and that it was not located next to the radio truck. The searchlight must have been placed there recently, since it was seen previously standing separately in the open, and covered with a tarpaulin during the day.

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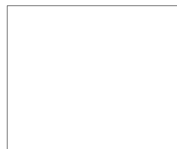
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- * ☐ Comment. ☐ the Staaken airfield 50X1-HUM
is occupied by one ground attack regiment equipped with IL-10s. 50X1-HUM
- ** ☐ Comment. The aircraft are assigned to an air transport squadron 50X1-HUM
which is stationed in Staaken, in addition to the ground attack regi-
ment. The planes are IL-2s. It is not known which type flights were
practiced on the day of observation.

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